

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

PABLO JESUS PONCE,  
  
Plaintiffs,  
  
v.  
  
BILL LANE, *et al.*,  
  
Defendants.

Case No. 2:21-cv-00028-JDP (PC)

Case No. 2:21-cv-00031-JDP (PC)

ORDER DIRECTING THE CLERK OF  
COURT TO CONSOLIDATE THE  
COMPLAINTS AND TO  
ADMINISTRATIVELY CLOSE CASE NO.  
2:21-cv-00031-JDP

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Plaintiffs,  
  
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Defendants.

The above captioned cases were opened when plaintiff submitted to the court, in two separate envelopes, a single complaint. The first envelope contained an application to proceed *in forma pauperis* and the fifth and sixth pages of plaintiff's complaint, which were filed in *Ponce v.*

1 *Lane*, 2:21-cv-00028-JDP. The first four pages of the complaint were contained in the second  
2 envelope and were filed in a new case—*Ponce v. Lane*, 2:21-cv-00031-JDP. As a result of  
3 plaintiff's decision to divide his complaint into two separate submissions, the court opened two  
4 separate cases; a single case is appropriate.

5 Accordingly, it is hereby ORDERED that:

- 6 1. the Clerk of Court consolidate the two complaints filed in 2:21-cv-00028-JDP and  
7 2:21-cv-00031, and file the consolidated complaint in 2:21-cv-00028-JDP; and  
8 2. the Clerk of Court administratively close *Ponce v. Lane*, 2:21-cv-00031-JDP.

9 The court will screen the complaint in due course once it has been correctly filed.

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11 IT IS SO ORDERED.

12 Dated: April 7, 2021

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14 JEREMY D. PETERSON  
15 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE  
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